

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 4, 1998

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RE: MUR: 4621

Dear Attorney Gurmankin:

On March 5, 1997, the Federal Election Commission notified your client, the Honorable Merrill Cook, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

On July 2, 1998, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint and materials submitted in response thereto, that there is no reason to believe that the Honorable Merrill Cook violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) or 2 U.S.C. § 441(b). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter as it pertains to your client.

This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days after it has been closed with respect to all other respondents involved. The Commission reminds you that the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and § 437g(a)(12)(A) remain in effect until the entire matter is closed. You will be notified when the entire file has been closed.

If you have any questions, please contact Marianne Abely, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1596.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

By:

Lois G. Lerne

Associate General Counsel